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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:) PATENT
Jens Birger NILSSON et al.)
Serial No.: 10/523,715) GROUP: 1796
Filed: May 17, 2005) EXAMINER: GODENSCHWAGER, P. F.
A FIRE RETARDANT AND A METHOD) CUSTOMER NO.: 25269
FOR PRODUCTION THEREOF) CONFIRMATION NO. 8394

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
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October 20, 2008

Sir:

The applicants have received the final Office Action of August 28, 2008 and they have carefully reviewed the examiner's prior art rejections. They believe that these rejections are incorrect, and offer the following comments.

The examiner has rejected claims 28 and 29 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being patentable over Mevel.

Mevel discloses a fire retardant composition which has some similarities to the composition defined in applicants' claim 28. Since both the present invention and that of Mevel relate to a composition for the purpose of extinguishing fires, it is not unusual that there are components which are common to both. However, the chemical interaction between the components of these compositions produce significantly different